Numismatic Co. of America, Broadway & 156th Street, New York City, N. Y.

Gentleman:

While going threw a trunk at home I came across some letters written around 1850 and attached to a letter from Marseilles was a perfectly good stamp. I am wondering if there is any value attached to this stamp as I have never seen any like it before. There isn't any date on it and I have tried to make a rough description of it below to give you an idea of what it looks like.

It has U in one corner and S in the other. Under the U is the word War and under the S - Dept. Below in one corner is Thirty and in the other Cents. The figure 30 is in the center bottom. I do not recognize the face that is in the center.

Thanking you for any imformation you can forward me on same, I am,

Very truly yours,
M. H.

15 Jersey St., Bloomfield, N. J.



October 15, 1931.

Mr. M. Hintze 15 Jersey St. Bloomfield, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Your stamp is a War Department stamp first used in 1873 and in use for several years. It is worth from 30 to 50¢. If, however, it is attached to the envelope and has the cancellation of Marseilles, France, it is worth more. If one of the Marseilles of this country, it would have no premium over what I have stated. If of the French postmark and still on the entire original envelope I would be very glad to have you send it to me and I can then tell you we could offer you for it.

Very truly yours,

HW: JG

Curator